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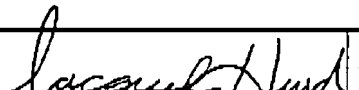
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For: STORAGE RACK SYSTEM AND  
LOCKING LATCH THEREFOR**OFFICE COMMUNICATION**Mail Stop  
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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby withdraws the request for interference with respect to U. S. Patent 6,241,109 and herewith cancels claims 35-63. Applicant respectfully suggests that with the cancellation of these claims, the application stands ready for allowance.

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